TOWN OF ABINGDON HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2020 – 5:15 P.M. ARTHUR CAMPBELL ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING

A Regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Review Board was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at 5:15 pm in the Arthur Campbell Meeting Room in the Municipal Building.

A. WELCOME by Jeff Johnson - Chairman

B. ROLL CALL - Jason Boswell, Director of Planning

Members of the Board Present:

Mr. Michael Weaver

Mr. Byrum Geisler Mr. Andrew Neese Mr. Jeff Johnson

Members of the Board Absent:

Mr. Derek Webb

Comprising a quorum of the Board - Yes

Administrative/Town Staff:

Mr. Jason Boswell, Director of Planning

Mrs. Janice Dornon, Administrative Assistant Mr. Mason Gragg, Code Compliance Officer

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 8, 2020, Regular Meeting

On a motion by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Neese, the Board approved the minutes for January 8, 2020, Regular Meeting as presented.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye

The board approved January 8, 2020, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

D. CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

1. Certificate of Appropriateness –Bruce A. Hartshorn; 356 Augusta Dr., Abingdon, VA, 24211; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to replace old shingle roof with new metal standing seam roof, gutters, and downspouts. Add dormers facing Plumb Alley. Rehabilitate existing shed. This project was previously approved on May 7, 2017. Located at 227 East Main Street, Abingdon, VA 24210. Tax Map No. (013-1-66)

Mr. Hartshorn represented the property located at 227 East Main Street.

Mr. Hartshorn wishes to have the COA from June 2017 re-approved with the addition of the renovation to the shed on the property,

Mr. Hartshorn is asking to put in a rear bathroom addition to the upstairs area, making the two-bedroom, one-bathroom house into a two-bedroom, two-bathroom home. There will be no changes made to the front of the home. The new dormer will have aluminum-clad wood windows installed. Wood lap siding will be gray, wood trim will match the existing structure with soffits to match.

Mr. Hartshorn will be replacing the roof with a gray metal standing seam roof with no striations, and white half-round gutters.

Mr. Hartshorn asked to add the renovation of the shed to this COA. The shed is located at the back near Plumb Alley. The shed will need to be reframed, the foundation brick would be repaired and the roof repaired. If the roof must be, replaced Mr. Hartshorn will need to come back before the board with roof samples to be approved.

Mr. Weaver told Mr. for Hartshorn that if he were to replace the roof on the shed with a standing seam would that it would I seem out of character.

Mr. Geisler suggested that if the roof would need to be replaced to replace it with materials as close to the originals as possible.

Mr. Johnson proposed to Mr. Hartshorn that the board would like to see the roof repaired, but if it was not repairable that a sample of the materials to be used would have

to brought into Town staff for approval. The material chosen should match the main structure.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the previous COA request as submitted within the guidelines with the addition of the shed remodel, second by Mr. Neese.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye

The board unanimously approved the previous COA from June 2017 as presented within the guidelines and with the proposed changes to the shed located at the back of the property, located at 227 East Main Street.

2. Certificate of Appropriateness – Joe & Donna Levine; 350 Green Spring Rd.; owner. Application for Certificate of Appropriateness to remove and replace the rear addition of the existing house. This project was previously approved on May 8, 2019. Located at 350 Green Spring Rd. Tax Map No (021-1-1A)

Mr. Joe Levine represented the property located at 350 Green Springs Road.

Mr. Levine told the board that the only change to the front of the house would be to change out the windows on the right side of the home with casement windows and to remove the metal roof and replace it with an architectural shingles roof.

Mr. Levine stated that with the demo and rebuild of the addition the roof will be replaced with an architectural shingle roof, all of the windows on the backside will be replaced with casement windows, columns, side of carport and downstairs of the addition will be brick, deck railing will be wire railings and standard white gutters will be added. Lap siding will be on the second-floor addition and underneath the deck are and will be painted to match the brick.

Mr. Levine said that they are wishing to add solar panels to the roofline.

Mr. Johnson told Mr. Levine that a sample of the roof shingles and a sample paint color would need to be brought into Town staff for approval.

Mr. Geisler made a motion to approve the COA request as submitted within the guidelines and summarization made by Mr. Johnson, second by Mr. Weaver.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye

The board unanimously approved the COA as presented within the guidelines and as summarized for 350 Green Spring Road.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

G. OLD BUSINESS/MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA - None

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Boswell informed the HPRB board that a Historic District Survey is underway and is being performed by Dovetail Cultural Resource Group of Fredericksburg, VA. There are two ladies in Town this week taking photos for the survey. This survey will show which structures are contributing or non-contributing to the Historic District.

Mr. Boswell informed the board that they would keep them informed as the survey continues.

Mr. Johnson questioned the rhythm and reason as to how the Abingdon Historic District was chosen and laid out in the past.

Mr. Weaver told the board that previously a committee was formed to review the Historic District with an idea of expanding the Historic District. Could this be something to be reconsidered in the future?

Mr. Johnson reminded the board to add a structure to the Historic District that the homeowners would have to agree.

Mr. Boswell explained the waiver for J. H. Combs that would allow Mr. Combs to repairs shingles on the roof of the Mercantile Building, from recent wind and storm damage.

I. ADJOURNMENT

On Motion by Mr. Neese, seconded by Mr. Geisler, for the Board to adjourn the meeting.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Weaver	Aye
Mr. Geisler	Aye
Mr. Neese	Aye
Mr. Johnson	Aye

Mr. Johnson declared the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 5:52 P. M.

Jeff Johnson, Chairman

Jason Boswell, Director of Planning